Summary Of Year's Activities In F F A

Reporter: LeRoy Williamson

The activities of the F. F. A. start in August, when we have our executive committee meeting to set up the standing committees. This is the first in a series of meetings to set up committees or to plan the programs for our regular club meetings once a month. The executive committee makes sure each boy has a chance to work on a standing committee or a special one.

Each year our chapter has a good many members participate in the Farmville Fair and the Lynchburg Farm Show. Several members enter livestock while the others concentrate on farm mechanics, field crops, or one of the other events open to F. F. A. boys.

The next activity would be the forestry judging contest. The Hub Federation sponsors this contest for each club in the federation, and it is usually held at Amherst. We practice for the contest by going out and getting acquainted with the different kinds of trees that may be given us to identify in the federation contest.

At Christmas we usually give a basket to a needy family. We ask each member to contribute to this basket with canned food, toys, clothes, or money.

After we return to school from our Christmas holidays we set to work on the Public Speaking Contest. This contest is judged on the basis of our speech and the way the speaker gives it. We hold a chapter contest and send the winner to the federation contest. In the past two years our members have won the federation contest and ranked high in the district contest.

February 20th through 27th is National F. F. A. Week. During this time our chapter has 4 page in the local newspaper and places our posters in various places of business to advertise this.

In March we hold a Father-Son Banquet, and at this time awards are presented to the members who have earned them. We strive to have 100% attendance at this banquet, with entertainment and guests of honor.

Also during March the Degree Team Contest is held. It is judged on how well we know parliamentary law. The team consists of all officers, two conductors, and two greenhands. We have 7 minutes to solve a problem the judges give us. After this we have to initiate two young greenhands (first year members).

In April the federation dairy judging and crop judging contests are held. We prepare for dairy judging by going out to farms and learning first hand how to place the dairy cattle. We practice for crop judging in the shop with the same types of crops used in the contest.

Each year during the last week in May the Hub Federation holds its outing. Each club is well represented there. Each club has a softball team and they compete until one team ends up on top. Appomattox has won this tournament for 5 years in succession. After the softball tournament, each boy is served all he can eat.

On the last day of the school year, our F. F. A. and the local F. H. A. Chapters hold a joint picnic at Holiday Lake. We swim, fish, and boatride during the afternoon, and at 6:00 P. M. we eat together.

A summer camp on the Lower James River is operated jointly with the Future Homemakers of America where we compete with one another in various judging contests and in sports events. They also give special F. F. A. awards to members who do outstanding work in such fields as livestock, farming, dairy farming, soil and water conservation, farm mechanics, rural electrification, and public speaking.

The F. F. A. offers its members solid training opportunities to help them become better farmers and better citizens.

The Swamp Fox

Indianapolis.- Six-year-old Timothy Brennan is back home with his mother now. Mrs. John R. Brennan, after being lost in the woods near Indianapolis. In a game of "swamp fox" Timothy was to hide in the woods and his three brothers were to find him by following the sound of his "swamp fox" howls. Timothy howled, but his brothers couldn't find him. Neither could a search party of 20 adults until after hours of hunting.

Ingenious!

Orangeville, Ontario, Canada.- When ice storms caused a power failure, Albert Bryan hooked his milking machine up to his car and used it to milk his dairy herd.

Steel output dip is forecast for second quarter.

COMMET ON SPORTS

FOOTBALL

By Pete Fritchie

While it may seem strange to be thinking of football at this time of year, all over the country that is what is going on in the minds of youngsters at the various colleges.

Football at the college level is no longer a Fall sport, and hasn't been for some time. Sports columnists talk and write about it all year long and right now aspirants are thinking, drilling and playing football, so that — come Fall — they will be good enough to compete with other highly - trained squads.

Some people have long been wondering when professional football would take over so to speak, and crowd college football out of its first spot in the American football fan's heart. With another league in the making, it could be that professional football will steadily gain ground.

Now what is probably closer to the truth is that college football, with its semi-amateur characteristics, its color and emphasis on youth and with its ability to bring back memories of the college days and renew friendships, is here to stay as the number one football consideration of a majority of avid fans.

Not that pro football isn't a better brand of football. It is. But somehow college football captures the fancy of the alumni, to a greater degree than baseball ever did, even in its college heyday. And because of this, and homecoming and homecoming queens and reunions of old grads, etc., we don't think pro ball will ever relegate to a sport where college baseball finds itself today.

The reason college football gets the nod over college baseball among the average sports fan is not that ti is a better game. Baseball, however, is a more highly specialized art. It requires a greater degree of training and probably skill. Therefore, college or high school students do not reach the heights of perfection that they can — and do — in the more spectacular sport of football.

Professional baseball is the only baseball that has reached a stage in the development of skill that can be appreciated by even the most lukewarm fan. And therefore professional baseball seems destined to dominate the baseball field while amateur football will likely remain a major love of the average football fan.

And college football is not so amateurish at that. If one will look over the athletic budgets, the training and the concentration put on the sport at most of the major colleges, that program seems to receive more attention and money than practically any other at many of our colleges and universities — including the pursuit of intellectual knowledge.

New protests delay Israeli-Arab border talks.

Evergreen

Evergreen, Feb. 23.- Rev. Robert Harris, of Pleasant View, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Harris last week.

Mrs. David Garrette, of Alexandria spent last week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Warriner.

Danny McFadden, of the Navy, of Norfolk, spent last week-end with his mother and family, Mrs. Rachel McFadden.

We extend sympathy to Mr. Robert Jennings' family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harvey and girls were the luncheon guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Austin.

Mrs. Julian Glover, of Crewe spent a week recently in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Glover.

Sorry to hear that George Franklin is a patient in the Virginia Baptist Hospital. We hope he will soon be well again.

A house-warming was g... and Mrs. Lowell Fleshman and Mr. and Mrs. Buster Allen last week. Both fa... moved to their new home...

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd A... Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harve... visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob... and family Sunday P. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B... Mrs. Herbert Deadman, ... burg spent the week-end ... and Mrs. E. L. Harvey.

Several from here atte... funeral of Mrs. John Dav... plin Monday P. M.

Mrs. Stewart Paulette... er, Mrs. Cassie Taylor, ... week-end in Richmond.

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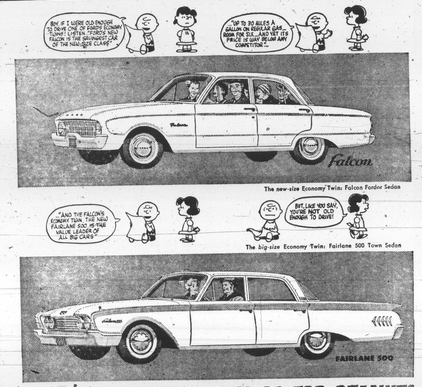

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PERSONALS

D. E. Caldwell entered the Virginia Baptist Hospital Tuesday for treatment.

Mrs. C. H. McCall and Mrs. Ruth Eaton, of Hampton visited in the S. G. Anderson home on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. "Babe" Morris spent the week-end in New York City.

Mrs. Charles Seay, who has been in with the flu, is reported to be better now.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Harvey, of Norfolk spent the week-end with Mrs. Harvey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Perdieu.

Mrs. H. B. Pack, Sr., of Blackstburg is visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pack.

Jack Martin has returned home from the Virginia Baptist Hospital. His condition is reported to be improved.

Mr. John Crist, of Lynchburg visited his sister here, Mrs. Ada Gilbert, who has had the flu. She is reported better at this time.

Cadet H. D. Flood, of F. U. M. A., will arrive Thursday to spend the week-end with his parents, Judge and Mrs. J. W. Flood.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Baker and Mrs. Sam Anderson visited in the home of Mrs. Chap Harvey, of near Cullen, on Saturday.

Mrs. Wiley M. Morris is in Miami, Fla., having been called there last week on account of the illness of her aunt and cousin, Miss Ruth Spelman and Miss Mary Wyle.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Tabb and triplet daughters, Peggy, Ann and Beth, and son, Bill, of Williamsburg, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. David M. Trent.

Mrs. Ola S. Frubush has recovered sufficiently at the Lewis - Gale Hospital, Roanoke, to be moved to the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack James.

Mrs. S. A. Lawson and Mrs. Flora L. Stanley returned home Supday from the Virginia Baptist Hospital, where they had been patients for several days.

Judge and Mrs. J. W. Flood had as their guests over the week-end Mesdames Robert Whitehead, Lyle G. Hall and A. Davis Walker, of Richmond, and Miss Mary Trent, of Farmville.

St. Ann's Guild will meet Tuesday morning at 10:30, with Mrs. Calvin Robinson.

Mr. F. A. O'Brien, who has been a patient in the Southside Hospital in Farmville has returned home and is reported as getting along nicely.

Mr. Clarence Franklin was carried to the Virginia Baptist HOspital on Sunday night, and underwent an appendectomy on Monday.

Master Roger Moore, of Gladstone spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. William Layne, Jr., and son.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Faulconer, Jr., of Lynchburg, and Mrs. W. E. Coleman, of Madison Heights were the luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Fulks on Sunday.

Mrs. Mattie Garrett and Mrs. Georgie Dowdy spent the week-end in Richmond. Mrs. Garrett visited her son, James and family, also Mrs. Lillian Wiley and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Mason.

Of interest to their many friends here is the birth of a son, William Floyd, on January 10, to the Rev. and Mrs. Wesley Byrd Lucas, of Fentress, Va. Wesley is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Floyd M. Lucas, now serving the Elkton Methodist Church, at Elkton, Va.

Mrs. Nellie Sweitzer left Hollywood, Florida this week by jet plane to travel to Van Nuys, California, where she will spend sometime with her daughter and family, Mrs. James Corrick. Mrs. Sweitzer will celebrate her 76th birthday on Feb. 28. Her address is 5401 Katherine Street, Van Nuys, California.

Miss Peggy Godsey, a student at Radford College, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Godsey. Miss Godsey had as her house guests for the week-end, Miss Terry McConnell, of Abingdon, and Miss Pat Glick, of Lexington, both students at Radford College. On Sunday, Mr. Jimmy Hotinger, of Lexington, was a luncheon guest of the Godseys.

Dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jennings on Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Franklin and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Watts Moore and son, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Moore, Jr., and son, and Mr. and Mrs. William Layne, Jr., and son. Those calling in the afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tweedy, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Moore and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Tuck and family, of Concord.

Mrs. Charles F. James returned Sunday from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Dotteridge Martin, in Lynbrook, New York. Mrs. Martin is recovering from broken fractures of her ankle, which she suffered in an automobile accident three months ago.

Society

HONORED AT SHOWER

Miss Yvonne Ferguson was honored Saturday evening when Mrs. James R. Ballagh entertained with a party and kitchen show at "Tranquility Acres," Concord. Miss Ferguson's marriage to John T. Paulette will take place March 5, at Evergreen Baptist Church.

Decorations carried the bridal theme.

Those present were: Miss Ferguson, Mrs. W. D. Ferguson, mother of the prospective bride; Mrs. E. J. Paulette, mother of the prospective bridegroom; and Mesdames W. E. Jamerson, Floyd Shumaker, J. W. Painter, James Ballagh, and Reginald Power. Also attending were Misses Nancy Martin, Mildred Nash and Mamie Painter.

Miss Ferguson received many nice gifts.

FIFTH BIRTHDAY

Miss Candace Melanie Fulks celebrated her fifth birthday on Sunday, February 21, with a small luncheon at her home. Guests were Misses Sydney Ellen Faulconer, Tamara Marlene Faulconer, Anne Elizabeth Hernecall, Helen Darnell Rogers and Dreama Donna Edmunds.

VIRGINIAN HOME

By Mrs. Audrey S. Robinson
Vepco Home Economist

With spring and the entertaining that accompanies it, just around the corner, I thought you might enjoy this recipe for "dips." Directions are given for an electric blender. However, these may be adapted to your electric mixer.

Deviled Ham Dip
8 oz. pkg. cream cheese
3-4 c. (1-2 of 12. oz. carton) cottage cheese
4 1-2 oz. jar Smithfield deviled meat spread.

Crumble cream cheese. Put cottage cheese in blender until smooth. Add cream cheese and run blender until smooth.

Cut motor off and stir as needed. Add deviled meat spread and mix slightly. Store in refrigerator until serving time. Serve with favorite chips or crackers. (Note to the men —this recipe has been "husband-tested"!)

Double Feature

Indianapolis.- The five children of Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Bryant can be excused if they are nervous next time they hear a fire engine's siren.

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Mrs. E. O. Jarrells.

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for their kindness shown us during the time Brenda and David were in the hospital and since their return home. Your kindness will always be remembered.

—Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Bryant.

(1tc)

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to take this opportunity to thank my friends, neighbors and relatives for their nice cards and visits, also for fruits and juices and other kindnesses shown us during our sickness. May God bless you every one.

—Mary Ferguson and Mother.

(1tp)

CARD OF THANKS

To all my friends, relatives and neighbors, I sincerely appreciate every act of kindness shown me during my recent stay in hospital, also since returning home. You have been wonderful in every way. Thanks again. I am slowly recuperating. Devotedly,

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MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Miss Eula Faye Kestner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Kestner, of Appomattox and Paul Herndon Bauer, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bauer, of Gladstone, were married Saturday afternoon at 2:00 in the Liberty Baptist Church in Appomattox.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. James H. Cravens before a setting of Cathedral candles in Candelbra and a basket arrangement of white gladiolas and greens.

Mrs. Franklin Vaughan organist, and Bruce E. Knapp, soloist, provided the music.

The Valentine motif was carried out throughout.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a waltz length gown of French lace over taffeta, and carried a white prayer book topped with a red-lipped, white orchid. Her finger tip veil of illusion fell from a coronet of seed pearls.

Miss Frances Kestner, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. She wore a dress of red velveteen fashioned with princess lines, and a matching headdress of red velveteen and net. She carried a heart-shaped bouquet of red and white carnations.

Debra Chernault, niece of the bride, was junior bridesmaid, wearing a dress fashioned like that of the honor attendant, and a matching net headband. She also carried a heart-shaped bouquet of red and white carnations.

Warren Mays, nephew of the bride, was ring bearer, carrying the rings on a red-satin heart-shaped pillow.

Larry Smoot, of Gladstone, nephew of the groom, served as best man.

Both Mrs. Kestner and Mrs. Burke Smoot, aunt of the groom, chose blue dresses and added a corsage of white carnations.

Ushers were Clarence Mays, Henry Chernault, of Appomattox, brothers-in-law of the bride, Clarence Carter and Charles Wayne Brown, of Gladstone.

The couple left immediately following the ceremony for a northern wedding trip.

The bride chose a white wool dress with red accessories, and added the orchid from her prayer book on the shoulder of her fur jacket.

Upon their return, the couple will make their home in Appomattox.

Great pink diamond to be sold in London.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Feb. 24.- Mr. and Mrs. Edell Martin and Mrs. Dick Martin and daughters visited Mr. Dick Martin in Roanoke, Va. on Sunday.

Miss Shirley Walton, of Arlington, Va. spent the week-end with her family here.

Mrs. Harry Reynolds was guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Cyrus, Jr., and Cindy on Saturday in Lynchburg.

Mrs. Donald Johnson and daughter, of Lynchburg spent Monday in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Layne.

Those who visited during the week end with Mrs. Juddy Glover were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tolley and sons, of Lynchburg; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Greene, of Farmville; Mrs. Ann Anderson and daughter, of Keysville, and Mrs. C. H. McCall and Mrs. Jack Moran, of Pamplin.

Mr. Aubrey McFadden had the misfortune to receive a mashed thumb while at his work on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Caldwell had their children to visit them during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ferguson and children visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dicky Woody on Saturday evening.

The members of the Commission on Education and Evangelism of the Salem Methodist Church enjoyed a covered dish supper at the Spout Spring school Friday night.

Mrs. Dick Martin and daughters and Mrs. Eunice Ann Simms visited awhile Monday night with Mrs. Judy Glover.

County Line

County Line, Feb. 24.- Sure had bad weather here for a week or more. Snow drifted as deep as 27 inches in places.

We are glad to know that Mr. Walter Jordan has returned home from the hospital and is getting along well. Also glad to hear that Mrs. Carrie Ford and son, J... returned home from the hosp...

Vernie Jones and Roy Boot... ited Mr. Jordan Saturday P. M.

Mrs. Leonard Cawthorne is ... ing her brother and sister-in... Mr. and Mrs. Everette Fergu...

Margaret, the daughter of ... and Mrs. Frank Moore, is on ... sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mann ... dinner guests of his parents ... Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Henry ...

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